

must be anæsthetized, although local anæsthesia with cocaine or ethyl chloride will answer, but not nearly so well. Rail-fence-like scarifications, double and crossing each other several times, are made through the superficial portion of the skin, just outside the infected area, so that the erysipelas is inclosed. This is called the Kraske-Riedel fence, and into this wound is rubbed a 1 to 500 solution of bichloride of mercury, and it is kept wet by means of a compress, with a 1 to 1000 solution of the same antiseptic. Care must be taken that the fence be made as close to the margin of the erysipelas as possible, but still outside of it. The process rarely jumps this fence, and, in the rare cases in which it does get over, the disease becomes more benign, and a second fence always succeeds in keeping it in.

J. Lewis Smith advises for a child, from one to two years old, the internal use of four drops of the tincture of the chloride of iron every three hours; or either alone, or in addition to the iron, one of the preparations of cinchona. He obtains the best results by applying the following ointment over the inflamed surface every three or four hours:

R Ichthyol ..... ʒ i.  
Ung. aquæ rosæ ..... ʒ i.

Mix. Sig. External use.

R Linseed oil,  
White lead.

Mix enough oil with the lead to make a thin paste, which is painted freely over the erysipelatos skin.—*Frere*.

Many other local applications of more or less value have been recommended, viz.: rice flour, lycopodium, oxide of zinc, potters' clay, talcum, lard and chalk, glycerine, white of an egg, solution of iodoform in collodion, ethereal solution of camphor and tannin, cold water, sugar of lead, alum, sulphate of iron, nitrate of silver, tincture of iodine and turpentine.

R Benzoate of soda ..... ʒ ss.

Div. in chart. No. xii (12). Sig. One every four hours for a child of a week old.—*Lehnebach*.

Jaborandi was first recommended by Da Costa, but its use in children requires great caution. The dose must be carefully graduated to the age of the child. The object is to make the initial dose sufficient to produce a pronounced sweat, and thereafter to give every four hours doses of the fluid extract of jaborandi sufficient to maintain a gentle diaphoresis.—*Packard*.